

WRITING ASSESSMENT
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Has something strange ever happened to you?

One day...

One day I decided to walk to school early so I could enjoy the fresh air. As I walked past lush green lawns, I heard someone shout. "Wait up!" my friend N said to me. We walked to school together. When we arrived at R Elementary, an eerie glow was enveloping the school. We opened the door, astounded at what ~~we~~^{we} saw. A giantuan backpack was blocking the way. It was mahogany mostly, with onyx black trim. All of a sudden, it started moving! We jumped, gasping in surprise. The ceilings started to crumble because the backpack had began to smash it with it's vice-like straps. The backpack then wrapped us in it's straps and started swinging us around forcefully. Everything looked like a horrific blend of twirling, dark colors. As we spun around and around, I felt something fall on my shoes. "Great," I thought sarcastically. The backpack continued to twirl, breaking the school's support beams. I hit something hard, and then...nothing...I felt as if I had been smashed in the stomach as I fell back into darkness.

"Beep, beep, beep," the alarm clock seemed as if it was about to explode. I had a horrible headache. I jumped out of bed, put on some clothes, and started walking to school. When I arrived there,

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no eerie glow was ^{enveloping} ~~emitting~~ the school. As I opened the door, no backpack was there. I know for sure now. It was just a dream.

Score Point: 6

This response reflects an outstanding degree of proficiency in narrative writing skills. The narrative is well organized and coherently developed. The writer displays exceptional vocabulary, syntactic variety, and language facility (an eerie glow was enveloping the school, vice-like straps, and a horrific blend of twirling, dark colors). Excellent control of writing conventions is demonstrated.